



Enabling Strategic and Operational Planning Through Explosives Safety Consequence and Risk Identification Assessments

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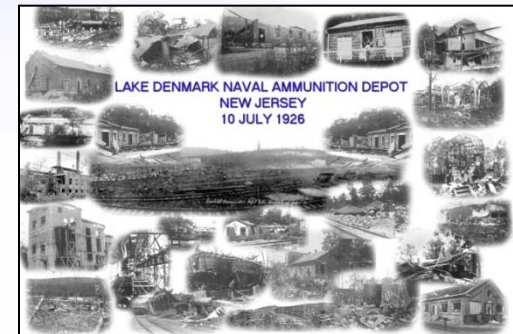
➤ Congressionally mandated in 1928

- Based on 1926 Lake Denmark incident
- Joint Board of Officers appointed
 - ❖ Implement recommendations of House Report (No. 199) to Congress
 - ❖ Prevent endangerment to life/property
 - ❖ Ammunition storage focused



➤ DoDIG recommended changes in 2003

- Develop DoD ESM strategic plan
- Establish & oversee comprehensive DoD ESM
- Restructure DDESB to independent, objective full time body
- Update directive (DoDD 6055.9)





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 3. Enables the joint-warfighting mission by integrating explosives safety into planning and operations.



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- Two Challenges: integrating ES tenets and requirements into:
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 2. *Existing plans (war, contingency, operational)*





DDESB Approach to Challenge



- 1. Identify and close gaps in DoD policy, doctrine, and requirements*





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1. Identify and close gaps in DoD policy, doctrine, and requirements
2. *Develop process and partnerships to perform and optimize ES consequence and risk identification assessments*





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1. Identify relevant DoD policy, doctrine and requirements where ES tenets and requirements should be addressed.
 - On-going gap analysis scheduled for completion FY10
- End Result - GOAL
 - Identify existing gaps
 - Recommend verbiage to fill the gaps...
 - Develop a Joint Publication in the 4 series that captures ES requirements in the planning process





DDESB Approach to Challenge



2. Develop process and partnerships to perform and optimize ES consequence and risk identification assessments
 - **Issue.** Although a variety of assessments exist to gather information in support of the warfighting mission, no organization or process identifies munitions-related risks or risk-mitigating solutions to the Warfighter and ensures that information is in a leverageable format.





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➤ Process

- DDESB developed Technical Paper 28 “Explosives Safety Consequence and Risk Identification Assessments”

- TP 28 consists of a 9 step process that addresses everything from pre-planning to report release and data management
- DDESB currently addressing Services’ comments.
- Anticipate final release August 2010

Technical Paper 28 Draft – 7 May 2010

Explosives Safety Consequence & Risk
Identification (C & RI) Assessment in
Support of Strategic Planning



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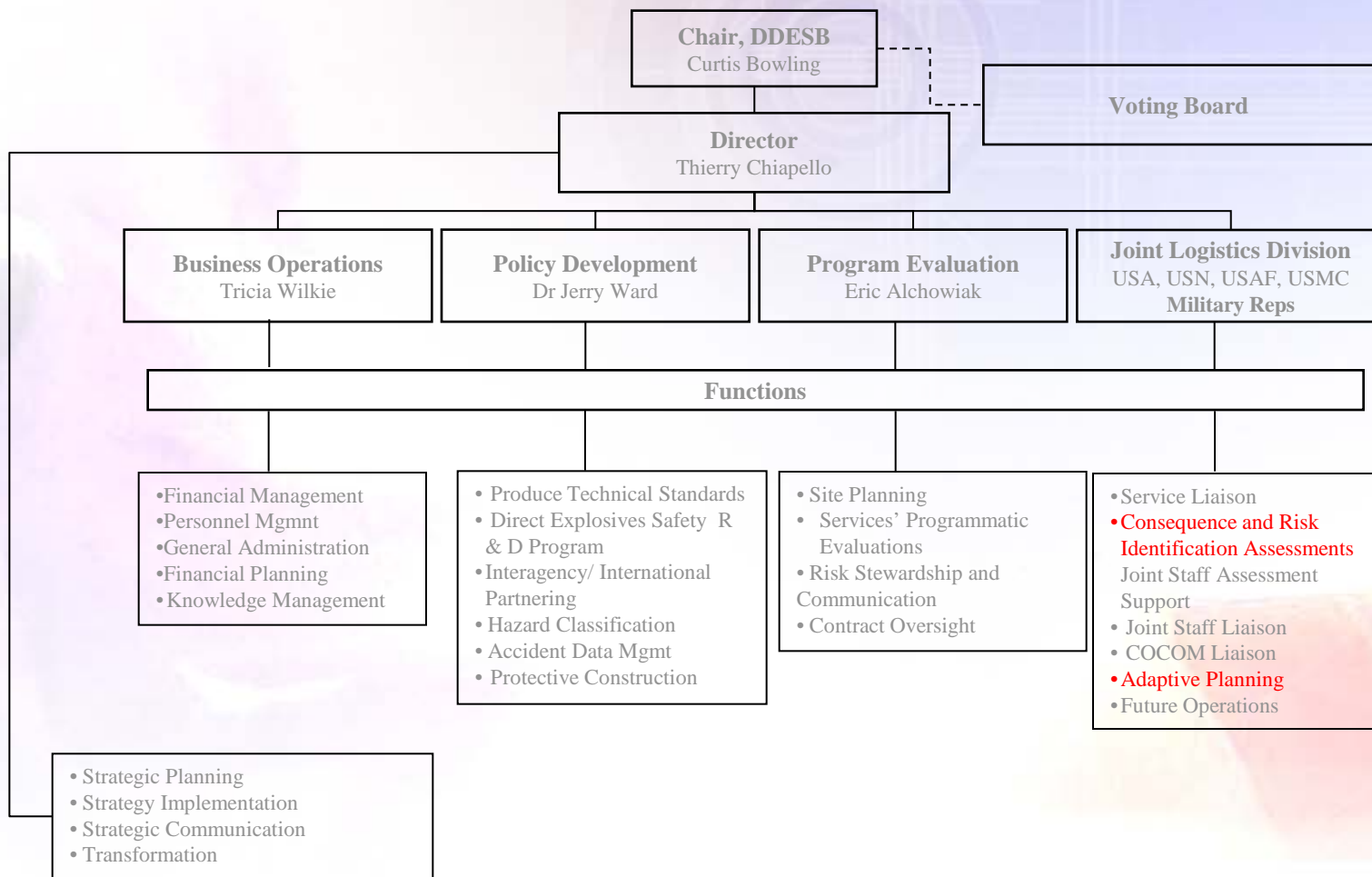
➤ DDESB Organic Capability

- Mostly military lead with support from DDESB Staff (matrix support concept)
- Added two new positions to perform and support new function





DDESB Organization



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Develop Process and Partnerships to Perform Risk Identification Assessments



- Develop partnerships with agencies to provide a robust and as holistic an assessment capability as possible. Partners include:
 - Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC)
 - Corps of Engineers (COE)
 - Surface Deployment and Distribution Center (SDDC)
 - Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA)
 - U.S. Army Technical Center for Explosives Safety (USTCES)
- Exploring opportunities to partner with other agencies depending on the assessment location





Develop Process and Partnerships to Perform Risk Identification Assessments



➤ To date, DDESB has assessed locations in:

- Guam
- Italy
- Latvia
- Korea
- Lithuania
- Alaska (Anchorage and Valdez)



Conclusion



Integrating ES tenets and requirements into doctrine, policy, and planning processes is vital to ensuring that leaders and planners understand unique challenges and implications associated with military munitions and make risk decisions based on sound guidance, accurate, and timely information.

This dynamic approach will continue to mature and evolve over time.

